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A Young Driver Held.

Abraham Davis, aged fifteen, of 306 Stanton street, was held at the Essex Market Police Court this morning to await the result of injuries sustained by Mrs. Mary Miller, of 136 Ridge street, who was knocked down and seriously injured by a team of horses driven by Davis at the corner of Ridge and Stanton streets yesterday afternoon.

Attempted to Kill His Wife.

Boston, March 11.—George W. Miller went home drunk yesterday and commenced to abuse his wife, who attempted to resist him. When Miller drew a revolver and fired two shots at her. The second shot struck her in the hand and the third in the fingers. Miller was arrested and locked up.

FROM MONTANA.

HELENA, M. T., Jan. 20, 1888.
 FLEMING BROS. I have taken a great many of Dr. C. McLean's celebrated Liver Pills and find them to be a wonderful pill—all that you claim for them. They act like a charm in case of biliousness, sick headache, dyspepsia, etc. Mrs. HENRY WILKINSON.

Cure Sick Headache, Biliousness, Liver Complaint.

Give them heartily, immediately, making plain water, cold or hot, and, if necessary, a little oil, as directed. Dr. C. McLean's celebrated Liver Pills, prepared only by Fleming Bros., Pittsburg, Pa. Price 25 cents. Sold by all druggists. Inset upon the genuine bottle. Beware of cheap imitations. The name of the bottle is "Fleming Bros., Pittsburg, Pa." on the wrapper.

PERSONALLY AUTHORIZED PUBLICATION.

PARIS, Feb. 8, 1889.—I have just obtained written authority from Jules Verne and his publisher for the publication of "The Conquest of the Air" in THE EVENING WORLD. The book is a masterpiece. PROFUSILLY ILLUSTRATED BY "EVENING WORLD" ARTISTS.

STORY OF FREEDOM CHAPTER.

The "Albatross," a wonderful flying machine, is making an extended journey through the air, having on board as passengers, Uncle Prudent, the president of the Weldon Club, and his wife, and a number of other persons. The machine is being piloted by a man named Phil Evans, who is a member of the club. The journey is being made for the purpose of testing the machine and of showing the world that it is possible to fly.

CHAPTER XXV.

WHEN IT RELATED THE ADVENTURES OF THE ESCAPED BALLOONISTS AND THEIR ENTERTAINING WELCOME HOME.

Jem Cip was obliged that day to resort to more substantial nourishment, for he nearly fainted at sight of the familiar snuff-box. How many times had he borrowed the contents. It was immediately recognized by William T. Forbes, Ben Fyn, J. O. Tomblor and the other members of the club, who had hundreds of times seen it open and shut beneath the hands of their venerated president.

In short, the box was identified by every friend possessed by Uncle Prudent within the good city of Philadelphia, whose name indicated without it being necessary to repeat the fact that all the inhabitants love each other like brothers.

Not a shadow of doubt surrounded the mystery now. The most incredulous were silenced, not only by the snuff-box of the president, but by the writing on the paper as well. Desperate hands were shaken towards the sky. Uncle Prudent and his colleague carried away by a flying machine and their fellow-citizens unable to offer the least means of assistance.

The Niagara Falls Company, of which Uncle Prudent was the largest stockholder, was about to suspend and stop its works. The Walton Watch Company, now that it had lost its director, Phil Evans, was considering the necessity of closing its factories.

Jem Cip, having abandoned his dinner-vegetable soup and lettuce—was there, directly behind William T. Forbes and his two daughters, Miss Doli and Miss Maf. If Uncle Prudent had been a Mormon, he could have had for the asking two charming wives.

That evening the Weldon Club was to hold its monthly meeting, and as it was expected that the two colleagues would occupy their old places, the members counted on obtaining the history of their adventures. For some reason the returned men had maintained strict silence as to the events which had transpired during their sojourn on the "Albatross." Part of that which the two colleagues had not revealed, and had no desire to reveal, is already known to us. We have learned of the audacious escape of the president and secretary during the night of July 27, their discovery by Robur, the wounding of Phil Evans by a shot from George Kern's rifle, the cutting of the cable, and the "Albatross," deprived of the use of its propellers, carried away by a south-west wind.

The fugitives could follow its course by the electric light on board, but in a short time it disappeared entirely. The fugitives had nothing to fear, as they deemed it impossible for Robur to return against the wind without the aid of his propellers in less than four hours.

Before that time, the "Albatross," destroyed by the explosion, would be a shattered wreck floating on the surface of the sea, the bodies of its commander and crew scattered in every direction. The act of vengeance would be accomplished in all its horror.

Uncle Prudent and Phil Evans, considering it as but a case of legitimate defense, were not troubled with remorse.

Phil Evans had been wounded but slightly by the bullet from the air-ship, and there being no further need of delay, the three men proceeded along the coast, with the hope of meeting some inhabitants. Their hopes were realized. The western side of Chatham

Island was inhabited by about a hundred natives, who lived by hunting and fishing. The approach of the air-ship had been detected by the savages, who fled in dismay at the sight. They took the fugitives for supernatural beings, and worshipped them.

Frycollin, as a black spirit, received the most humble adoration and apparently enjoyed the position remarkably well. As was expected by Uncle Prudent and Phil Evans, the air-ship did not return. They concluded that the explosion had occurred while the "Albatross" was high in the air, and from that time they ceased to speak of the inventor and his remarkable machine. They waited now for an opportunity to regain the United States. Chatham Island, a frequented but little by navigators, and the month of August passed, leaving the fugitives to ask themselves whether they had not only exchanged one prison for another.

At last, on the 3d of September, a vessel stopped at the island to take in a fresh supply of water.

It will be remembered that at the time of capture in Farmington Park, Uncle Prudent had on his person several thousand dollars in bank-notes—more than sufficient to pay their way back to America.

After taking an affectionate leave of the natives, who overpowered them with demonstrations of the highest respect, Uncle Prudent, Phil Evans and Frycollin embarked for Auckland and in two days arrived at the capital of New Zealand. There they took passage on a Pacific packet, and on September 20, after a pleasant trip, the survivors of the "Albatross" reached San Francisco.

Taking the first train leaving the city over the Pacific Railroad, Uncle Prudent, his colleague, and the valet Frycollin, started on the long stretch for home. On the 28th they arrived at Philadelphia. This is a complete record of their movements since their escape and after leaving Chatham Island. This is how the president and secretary were enabled to take their old places that night at the meeting of the Weldon Club.

After the first salvo of hurrahs had swept over the meeting, leaving the two colleagues calm and unconcerned, Uncle Prudent took of his hat and rose to his feet. "Gentlemen, the meeting is opened."

Frenzied shouts rose up, and they were

(To be Continued To-Morrow.)

IT BROKE UP ACTOR HERNE.

AND THEY CRUELLY TOOK HIM TO ST. VINCENT HOSPITAL.

Miss Kate Foley, the merry little sourette, who has been playing in "Drifting Apart" while that piece was on the road, and who surprised her friends and admirers by tendering her resignation just before the play came to New York, where it is now running at the Fourteenth Street Theatre, has a distinct grievance. Everybody has been wondering why Miss Foley resigned at such a time; why she gave up the opportunity so dear to the "Theatrical" of making a hit in New York. The little lady explained everything yesterday in her own bright, amiable way.

"In the first place, you must know," said Miss Foley, as she arranged the folds of her richly embroidered wrapper, and tried to look as dignified as a sourette can look. "I made a great hit in the part, I was on the very best of terms with Mr. Herne and Mrs. Herne. I used to call upon them, hunt them and enjoy their society. They liked me immensely. Mr. Herne told me that my role in 'Drifting Apart' had never been played as I played it, and I have a letter now in my possession testifying to his approval. I was charmed with the company. And the notices I got on the road!" Miss Foley folded her hands and looked heavenwards, as though in memory of such notices elevated her thoughts from earth.

"Well, I was rejoicing at the idea of appearing in New York at the Fourteenth Street Theatre, and I had just received a letter from Mr. Herne telling me that he was coming to New York with me. I was very happy. I must get new people. I am very sorry. I almost fainted," said Miss Foley. "I could not believe it. I did not suspect treachery. I was so sure that I was going to be playing my part too well to please Mr. Herne, the star. I made her somewhat insignificant. Mr. Herne offered to pay me. I declined to receive a cent, and resigned. We came to New York. I boiled over when I found that I was the only member of the company who had been dismissed, while the newspapers throughout the country had given me the most undoubted praise."

Miss Foley paused for a moment. Then she resumed: "At last I determined to hear Mr. Herne in his den and see if it were really true that he did not want me to appear at his theatre. Oh, he is such a charming man! He told me that he was delighted with my performance, and Mr. Herne had drawn upon his imagination. He said he would speak to Mr. Herne about it. He did so. Mr. Herne is a very nice man, but he has no more stamina than a rat. I suppose he had been told that I was not wanted. At any rate, he was so ashamed of himself when Robur tackled him that he went on a spree. He was unable to appear at rehearsal, and on Monday they gave the part to Joseph Herne. Herne, however, was able to appear Monday night."

"He announced him up. Tuesday he was again out of the fight, and Wednesday after-noon he told me that he had taken to St. Vincent's Hospital. He had a terrible time there. He begged to be released, demanded his clothes and swore avowedly. Mr. and Mrs. Herne, however, are on the very best of terms and suppose she really wanted him cured. On Saturday he was released and to-morrow (Monday) he will probably appear."

"I am so glad," said Miss Foley, "that I have been able to get a new part. I have been clear of anything of the kind for a year. But I have been treated so shamefully that I have hoodooed the piece. I made such a hit in the part that everybody in the company talked about it. The moral is," said Miss Foley, seriously, "that one must never make a hit when there is a star about. It's very sad, but it's like that."